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## "KEEP IT OUT."

Publicity, newspaper publicity, is a greater chastener than the arm of the law, when it comes to dealing with minor offenders. There are statistics available right here to bear out the statement, says the Washington News in speaking of local conditions.

Three out of four offenders who appear in police court on minor charges of drunkenness, disorderly conduct, etc., think little of paying the usual fine and as for being chastened or deterred in future transgressions they never think of it in that way. They consider the fine as amounting to almost nothing, pay up without a protest and many times as if it were a pleasure and are prepared to go out and commit the same offense over again whenever the spirit moves them.

But, let them get a hint that their names are going into the newspapers and before the public and they make a straight dash for the newspaper offices, bent on suppressing the publicity that threatens them and which would reveal their iniquities to the community.

Their methods in attempting suppression are many. Sometimes the offender pleads for immunity for the sake of his wife and children, a cowardly subterfuge—the time for a man to think of his wife and family is before he makes a fool of himself.

Others there are, who seek to escape the ruthless light of publicity and public judgement through what they are pleased to believe is "influence." They cockily assume that they have "friends at court," who will keep their precious "reputations" spotless. Somehow, when it comes to a showdown, the "influence" fails to influence and another sorehead is inflicted on the world.

Then there is the "bully" type, who comes blowing into the office, like an 1890 model auto climbing a grade, and threatens to clean out the place if anyone dares to "put his name in the paper." Half the time it is a disgrace to the paper to have the names of such characters appear in them under any circumstances, but there is no more certain way for a man to get all that's coming to him than to try bull-dozing a newspaper.

There are two more classes of minor offenders. One of these two compose the hardened regulars who don't care much either way. The other class represents those who do care but regard it as useless to seek protection without being prepared to offer exceptionally good reasons. The latter class still has some sense.

There are exceptions, where newspapers are justified in keeping out the names of minor offenders, but they are few and far between. As a general thing it is the duty of a newspaper to expose petty offenders, for the effect is to prevent, or at least to curb transgressors and transgressions, maintains the News. And anything that prevents or cures such evils is right and proper.

## DISASTERS NUMEROUS IN 1915

Aside from the war in Europe, the terrible slaughter on the battlefields, and the many disasters resulting in a long death list of non-combatants at sea, 1915, with five months of it to pass, promises to go down in history as one of the most terrible for life-taking disasters, says the McKeesport News.

The Chicago river horror is so far the largest and most pathetic of inland death-dealing catastrophes. Coming closer to home the Patterson mine accident of a few days ago took nine lives. And now comes an awful flood at Erie, with the death list beyond a score. It is hoped that the list of dead will not be swelled.

The sympathy of the community is naturally extended to the people of these places. While dock-owners are held responsible, primarily, for the flood that took such a toll of life and did so much damage at Erie, it must not be forgotten that dams gave way. Authorities and experts ought to investigate that feature of the disaster and even though criminal negligence may not be established, something is likely to be learned that would be valuable in the building of dams in the future.

With so many disasters occurring, it is out reasonable to belive that men are becoming more careless in construction work or that others are so deliberately grasping that they will build weak structures, save a few dollars and jeopardize many lives.

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The plan of holding the assessors' convention at Washington ought to benefit the property holders generally. Assessors can accomplish better results the county over by working together and in the triennial assessment the county is the unit on which things have to be based. Any inequality of assessment means a discrimination in taxation, which is of course unfair.

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Monongahela is about the only town or city hereabouts that has booked up a Chautauqua for next year. At McKeesport the News offers the following: Another Chautauqua, no doubt, will be welcome here next summer, but different methods should be employed to dispose of the tickets if a guarantee must be furnished to the management.

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"See Washington county first," advised the Washington News. Inasmuch as Washington county offers opportunities for sightseeing undreamed of, and has an abundance of historical treasurers unknown even to its own people, the suggestion isn't a bad one.

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In any mad dog scare, as for instance like that at Allenport, a lot of innocent dogs are bound to lose their lives. However it is easier to part with a dog on a chance than it is to run the risk of one of the most horrible of deaths for humans.

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Compelling the strict obedience of automobile speed laws—in some towns and cities—has an economical aspect of some importance. Where fines are imposed the borough exchequer is enlarged.

## PICKED UP IN PASSING

A commercial traveler arrived for the first time in a small western town during the night. In the morning he was awakened by whistles—shrill ones, foggy ones, scale runners, high key, low key, and every other kind. So at breakfast he questioned the landlord.

"Quite a manufacturing town you have here."

"Oh, yes, fine town."

"What kind of factories?"

"Wa-al," very slowly, "flour principally."

"Just flour."

"Wa-al," very slowly, "yes, as yet, but the Metropolitan mill's a big one."

"Why I heard a dozen different whistles!"

"Oh," edging his chair up confidentially, "them is all in the Metropolitan. You see we got the whistles for the factories we're goin' to have an' put 'em in to make the town sound lively. Seems quite citified now, doan't it?"—Good Magazine.

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Uncle Josh was discoursing with a neighbor on the trials of married life.

"Well, suh, married life wouldn't be half bad if twuz not fur de woman. As a inventah Thomas Edison ain't got nuffin on de good Lawd."

"How do you mean dat expression?" demanded his neighbor.

"Well, suh," Uncle Josh went on, "when mah wife gits wound up de way she do let out wulds is sumpfin tuhriffic."

"Do she talk back?"

"She sho do, an' mo' so. She talks frontwahds, sidewahds, acrostwahds, endwahds, diag-nal, trianglewahds, an' in suckles, an' eftah she has gibben me a thorough drubbin' wid dat tongue ob hers, she comes all de way roun' an' repeats herself all ovah agin.

"Ah tells you, mah fren," Uncle Josh concluded firmly, "de only trouble Ah has found wid married life is de way mah old lady applies de langwidge to me.

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## *Electric Sparks*

Something entirely free is something we don't know anything about.

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The difference between court and baseball is that a bench warrant orders you to report to the former and orders you to get out in the latter.

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Philadelphians are holding mass meetings to protest against the mosquitoes. This is what we should call encouraging war on a safe and sane basis.

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Even with hot weather play soldiering at Indiana wouldn't hold a candle to the real thing in Warsaw.

Where there's a speed maniac there ought to be a cop.

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We don't know whether to look upon the coming presidential election as a pleasant pastime, actual trouble or just a mere happening of ordinary interest.

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Monessen and Monongahela are not to be on the route of Governor Brumbaugh's state tour this fall, but of course the chief executive could not be blamed for visiting Charleroi instead.

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Hudson Maxim says that enough gum is chewed each year to build three battleships. But it's easier to get along without the battleships than it would be with some fellows breath if they didn't chew gum.

## INSTITUTE TO BE HELD

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talent obtainable for the night entertainments. Thus Washigton is assured of having the best teachers' institute in its history.

This will be the 65th annual teacher's institute to be held in this county. For many years it was held during Thanksgiving week but the date was changed in 1898 by Superintendent F. R. Hall to the week before Christmas.

Several new features have been added to the program of the school of Methods which will be held August 25 and 26. Following the suggestion of the county committee to conform with a resolution passed by the School Directors' association of the county last winter instruction will be given in elementary agriculture. It is also probable that there will be a model class in primary reading. All teachers who have never taught and those who have had only one year's experience are expected to attend this school, while any other will be welcome. There will be no night sessions but the program for the two days is full to the limit. The meetings will be held in the high school building on West Beau street.

## PETITIONS FOR OFFICE COMING IN RAPIDLY

**Republicans File 109 and Democrats 19—Only Four Petitions of Candidates for County Offices Are in—August 31 Last Day.**

Petitions for all offices to be filled at the election this fall are being filed at the commissioners office now. During the time since the candidates first started to get signers to their petitions there have been filed 132 petitions. Of this number 109 have been filed by Republicans, 21 by Democrats and there are two non-partisians.

There have been only four petitions of candidates for county offices filed to date and they are all Republicans. They are as follows: Treasurer, Frank B. Hambry, Donora; coroner, R. Lafayette Culbertson, North Charleroi and James T. Heffran, Speers; district attorney, Vernon Hazzard, Monongahela.

There are 79 Republican petitions for borough offices throughout the county, 28 Republican petitions for township offices, four Democratic for borough offices and 177 Democratic for township offices. Of course there will be a large number filed during this month, especially for county offices as there are a number to be filled this year. The last day for filing petitions is August 31.

## Bits of Byplay

By Luke McLuke

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**The Secret.**

This rule success and great wealth brings,
You'll find that it is true;
You must go after all the things
That will not come to you.

**The Wise Fool.**

"All's well that ends well," quoted the sage.

"Yes," commented the fool. "But you'll save a lot of trouble by beginning right."

**All He Desires.**

When seasick no man cares for gold,
He doesn't long for wealth, I'm told;
But, tossing in a steamer berth,
He often cries, "I want the earth!"

**The Limit.**

"That fellow Smith is certainly hard to please," remarked Jones.

"Should say he was," agreed Brown. "Why, he acts like a college graduate who is looking for his first job."

**Advice.**

My son, do not stay up to gaze
Upon the gay white lights,
For you will shorten all your days
By lengthening your nights.

**A Useless Decision**

"I see here that the supreme court has decided that pedestrians have the same right at street crossings as automobiles," remarked the old fogy.

"What good will that do?" demanded the grouch. "Who wants to stand on a crossing and argue with a six-cylinder car that is traveling fifty miles an hour?"

**Dams.**

The dentist we would like to slam,
As at our nerves he hews;
That's why he takes a rubber dam
And dams the ones we use.

**Epitaphs.**

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**Wonder If This Will Peeve Tyrus?**

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Because for Ty a dollar we pay
And for Luke a jitney the newsboys say.
—Parkersburg, W. Va.

**Names Is Names.**

Anna May Fite lives at Cleveland, O.

**Ouch!**

Dear Luke—Do you know that Dr. Fuhl is a dentist in Pittsburgh, Pa.?—W. B. R., Sharon, Pa.

**The Early Bird.**

Miss Caroline Sparrow has gone to Wormleyburg to spend some time with her grandmother.—From an Exchange.

**Things to Worry About.**

One grain of indigo will color a ton of water.

**Our Daily Special.**

It takes a wise man to realize what a blame fool he is.

**Luke McLuke Says:**

A woman always admires a man when she knows that he admires her.

It doesn't hurt to tell the truth once in awhile.

Mighty few husbands are as loyal to their wives as their wives are to them.

When it comes to making a man act like a monkey, booze hasn't anything on love.

An old maid can get so worn out and faded that even a blind man would turn her down. But she never gets so hopeless that she quits reading the wedding writeups.

There was a time when polygamy was popular. But that was before the women started wearing dresses that hooked up the back.

The old fashioned boy who used to study law by the light of the blazing logs in the fireplace and whose ambition was to be president of the United States and make history now has a son who studies the rules by electric light and whose ambition is to be president of the National league and see all the games.

Any old mechanic can invent a dingus that will silence a little thing like a gun. But why doesn't Maxim invent a woman silencer and get some real fame?

If a girl runs after a man he runs away from her just as fast as he would run after her if she ran away from him.

When a woman starts in to give her husband a piece of her mind she never stops until she has given him the whole works.

A man wins about as much when he marries for money as he does when he bucks up against any of the other forms of gambling.

Few men live to reach the age of a hundred. And fewer live to reach the age of discretion.

A man has to put up with a lot of hard knocks while he is accumulating a lot of soft rocks.

A wise man coaxes a woman. A fool tries to force her.

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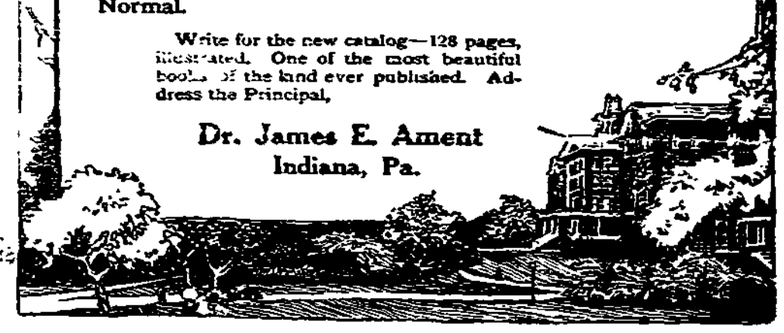

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## SONGBIRDS OF GREAT VALUE

**Rarest Varieties Command Large Sums When They Are Offered for Sale to Fanciers.**

The recent international bird show has provided some astonishing facts and figures regarding the value of songbirds. There are nearly one hundred classes of canaries. That they can be Norwich or Lancashire Border or Yorkshire variegated lizard unflighted, clear, cross-bred, created, self or foul conveys very little to the average mind but leaves one marveling at the variety of chirping little creatures whose feathers are every conceivable shade of yellow.

One marvels also at the variety of birds that could be kept as pets. Finches, linnets, redpoles, tomtits, robins, wrens, stonechats, babblers and long-tailed, short-tailed, wag-tailed and crested varieties of all of them in every size, from the minute humming bird to the plump scarlet cockatoo, all vie for that popularity which up to the present has been the monopoly of the canary.

And these little birds are all quite cheap. A few dollars will buy most of them, but on the other hand $2,500 would be asked for a gorgeous crimson bird of paradise, or $5,000 for the canary-bullfinch "White Rose," the most expensive songbird in the world.

## FOEMEN MADE MANY VISITS

**Aged French Couple Kept Track of Number of Times Germans Had Been in Village.**

Travelers in France just now have to stay at all sorts of queer places for the night. A correspondent writes to say that he was forced to stop for the night at a little village near Reims. "An old Frenchman and his wife, both over eighty years of age, gave me a room in the house," he writes.

"Before going to bed the old people talked about the war. They had been living together in this same house during the Franco-German war and, said the old man, 'it does not seem five minutes ago. While we have been living here,' he went on 'the German soldiers during the two wars have been billeted in this house no fewer than twenty-two times. During this war they have been backwards and forwards on three or four occasions.'

"These old French people—the woman looked very sweet in her snow-white cap—actually kept a score of the number of times the Germans had been through the village in war times. 'Do you think they have now gone for good?' asked the old man. 'Shall I ever have to make another mark on the score?'"

### Bees to Fight Troops.

In the bush fighting in East Africa the Germans and their black troops placed hives of wild bees, partially stupefied by smoke, under lids on each side of narrow tracks along which our troops must advance. Wires or cords lifted the lids when touched by the advancing troops, and swarms of infuriated bees, recovered from their temporary stupor, were let loose on the attackers. The failure of the attack at certain points is said to have been due as much to this onslaught of the "little people" as to the German rifles and machine-guns, many men being so horribly stung on the face or hands as to be temporarily blinded or rendered incapable of holding their weapons. Over one hundred stings are said to have been extracted from one of the men of the Royal North Lancashires.—London Mail.

### Gun Has No Recoil.

An officer of the United States navy has invented a gun that fires a six-pound projectile without recoil. This gun, because of the absence of recoil, is well adapted to use on aeroplanes or dirigibles. The gun has both ends open to the atmosphere. The shell has the projectile fitted into one end, and in the other end is a mass of birdshot. The shot is of sufficient weight to furnish the required reaction when the projectile is discharged from the other end of the gun. When the gun is fired the projectile is thrown from the muzzle at a high velocity while the shot is discharged from the breech at low velocity.

### Criticizes Hospitals.

Mrs. W. K. Vanderbilt has given much time and money to the question of the selling of drugs and the treatment of those who become victims, which the city of New York takes care. She now declared the manner in which the city of New York takes care of the drug "fiends" a hideous farce. After ten days the victims are sent out of the hospitals "cured," and she says they leave shattered in nerve and unable to fight against the drug. Katherine Bement Davis, commissioner of charities in New York, says that between 35 and 50 per cent of all the criminals are drug fiends.

### A Prudent Provision.

"Jones is nothing if not thorough. No matter how he starts out, he always gets to the bottom of things."

"Then it is very lucky for him that he didn't start out as a sea captain."

### The Difficulty.

Maud—Haven't you and Jack been engaged long enough to get married?

Marie—Too long. He hasn't got a cent left.—Boston Evening Transcript.

### A Palpable Hint.

Mr. Blowboy (calling on girl)—You seem—er—rather distant this evening.

The Girl—Well, your chair isn't nailed down, is it?—Brooklyn Eagle.

## VALUE OF DOGS IN WARFARE

**European Armies All Employ Them, and Testimony Is That They Give Good Service.**

While there has been devoted a good deal of attention to the use of dogs in ambulance work, the sentry dog has figured little in dispatches. The sentry dog was urgently recommended a year or two ago by some of the higher French army officers, but they received no encouragement from the war office. Now the need is acutely felt and a corps is being trained as rapidly as possible. A dog of this kind will invariably give warning of the approach of an enemy long before the soldier sentry is aware of it. In one section of the northern front, where dogs have been used for the past month, no night attack of the Germans has been successful.

Not every dog will make a good enough sentry. They need careful selection and equally careful training. Many animals that are excellent as watch dogs or in guarding their master's property, prove worthless when removed suddenly to a new environment and stationed under a stranger.

The English at present have dogs working with about thirty battalions of their army. The Russians also use them rather extensively on sentry duty.

It is said that the Germans, whenever they enter new towns, make it a rule to collect and train all likely dogs, and to kill all others. Many of their signalmen go out accompanied by dog scouts, who give warning of the approach of the enemy.

## IMPRESSIONS OF A HINDU

**Learned Eastern Visitor Frankly Confesses That He Is Unable to Understand Americans.**

Not seldom I feel among Americans as the Egyptian is said to have felt among the Greeks, that I am moving in a world of precocious and inexperienced children, bearing on my own shoulders the weight of the centuries. Yet it is not exactly that Americans strike one as young in spirit; rather they strike one as undeveloped. It is as though they had never faced life and asked themselves what it is; as though they were so occupied in running that it has never occurred to them to inquire where they started and whither they are going. They seem to be always doing and never experiencing. A dimension of life, one would say, is lacking, and they live in a plane instead of in a solid. That missing dimension I shall call religion. Not that Americans do not, for aught I know, "believe" as much as or more than Europeans; but they appear neither to believe nor to disbelieve religiously. . . . But even in Europe—and far more in India—there has always been, and still is, a minority who open windows to the stars; and through these windows, in passing, the plain man sometimes looks.—Rabindranath Tagore.

### Civilization's Peril.

America is closer to the heart of Europe than at any time since England's colonies became independent states. To the most isolated farmhouse it has been known for a half year that we are not remote from the portentous events beyond the sea; that the fate of our brothers over there, in some way which we do not well discern, involves us also. We are, whether we like it or not, full shareholders in the civilization which is imperiled. Our commerce and industry, our prosperity and well-being, our culture and religion, the foundations of our common humanity, and the ideals of our common aspirations, are all at stake.—Edward T. Devine in the Survey.

### Kicks Chick; Breaks Leg.

A pugnacious Plymouth Rock rooster and a woman's attempt to kick have furnished a case for the doctor. The rooster belongs to W. E. Coughenour, a dairyman of Dunbar, Pa. It has been creating trouble by chasing children, and Mrs. Coughenour, who takes care of the family hennery, made up her mind to give the vicious bird a lesson.

Going out to the flock to give the chickens their morning meal, she was attacked by the rooster. Mrs. Coughenour took careful aim, and delivered a powerful kick intended to put the bird out of business. She missed, her foot struck a stone, she fell disabled, and a physician found her leg broken.

### Why They Were "Bad Company."

A soldier, charged with being drunk and disorderly, mentioned, in extenuation of his offense, the fact that he had been compelled to travel up from camp in very bad company.

"What sort of company?" asked the magistrate.

"A lot of teetotallers!" was the startling response.

"Do you mean to say teetotallers are bad company?" thundered the magistrate. "I think they are the best company for such as you!"

"Beggin' your pardon, sor," answered the prisoner, "ye're wrong, for I had a bottle of whisky and I had to drink it all mesel'."

### Their Use.

"Why do you advocate blanket street-paving bills?"

"To cover the beds of the streets, of course."

### The Prevailing Rates.

"That writer is expensive, but there's meat in everything he writes."

"Then, no wonder he comes so high."

## DEFY COLD IN MANY WAYS

**Men Compelled to Submit to Exposure Have Devised a Number of Ingenious Methods.**

Rural mail carriers need never suffer from winter rigors or cold days generally if they follow the example of Homer Slider of Oldtown, Md. Slider makes his daily trip in a buggy mounted on runners in winter, with a complete little stove inside, a small pipe carrying the smoke and gas out at the rear. A bushel of coal carries him through one rural delivery trip nicely. The stove is kept going away into spring on stormy or chilly days.

But this contrivance has been paralleled in the past. According to a Dakota story a tenderfoot inventor sojourning in that region several years ago had a saddle especially made with an asbestos lining. In the pockets of the saddle he was accustomed to place hot bricks when starting on long horseback journeys. The cowboys laughed a great deal at him, asking what was the benefit of toasting at the calves and freezing at the throat. But there were those who would have tried it had the innovation been easily attached.

There is a story of a Minneapolis policeman who puttered a great deal with electricity in his days off, and who was said to have arranged an electric heater in the shape of a belt or strap along the tail of his coat. Scoffers declared that he had a way of throwing a piece of wire over an electric wire in the street and attaching it for a minute to his patent belt and patent transformers.

This he denied at a police trial, admitting, however, that he had been working on a battery heater that could be carried in the coat and produce a very comfortable amount of warmth. Part of his scheme was to construct a heater coat.

## TRYING OUT ELECTRIC WAITER

**Invention, It Is Believed, Will Do Away With the Employment of Man and Woman Servitors.**

An electrical invention which, it is claimed, will do away with waiters in restaurants and hotels is being experimented with. Each table in the restaurant is to be fitted with a frame bearing the menu and a series of electrical "press buttons" corresponding with each item in the menu. The customer sits down before the already laid table, with a neat pile of glistening silver on one side, chooses the dishes which he prefers, and presses the corresponding buttons in turn.

In the kitchen of the restaurant the number of the table and the number of the course required are signaled on a screen to the chefs and their assistants, and in a few seconds a steaming hot dish appears in a little lift at the side of the diner's table.

The customer helps himself, presses a button, and the dish disappears as silently as it came, leaving at the side of the plate a little aluminum ticket indicating the sum to be paid.

### Germs Hide for 50 Years.

A fatality which has strangely repeated itself after the passage of a half century in Raymond Millers' Fawn Grove house was attributed by health authorities and attending physicians to diphtheria germs which had lurked in the walls during the long interval.

Fifty years ago diphtheria broke out in a family which previously owned the property and caused several deaths. Shortly before the present outbreaks Miller decided to have the walls of the house papered, and a heavy coating of whitewash was scraped away and this refuse thrown in a heap outside. Warm, damp weather followed and supposedly revived germs from the previous epidemic, which had been imprisoned under the whitewash.—York (Pa.) Dispatch to the Philadelphia Record.

### Five Years of Boy Scouts.

The Boy Scout movement in America is only five years old. Yet so common is the sight of the scout uniform, so far-reaching is the scout service and so deep is its impression on the American imagination that it is hard not to think that Boy Scouts have always been.

There are times when all of us despair of the future of the race, so rampant seems evil, so triumphant and arrogant seem vice and selfishness. We know of nothing that can so swiftly restore faith for humanity as the sight of a half-dozen boys in scout khaki.—Toledo Blade.

### Convincing Argument.

Timid Lady (about to buy a ticket for New York)—And is the boat that sails on Thursday perfectly safe?

Agent (gravely)—Madam, I can assure you that in all the time this ship has been in service, and that is now a number of years, not once has she gone to the bottom.

Timid Lady (reassured)—Oh, then, it must be all right. What cabins have you vacant?—London Tit-Bits.

### French Wheat Crop Large.

French farmers raise more wheat than the Argentine, British India or Canada, all of them great world granaries. France grows about 315,000,000 bushels a year; enough with strict economy to supply herself without help from outside.

### Queer.

"Queer, isn't it?"

"What is?"

"You never hear a man admit that he's a self-made failure."


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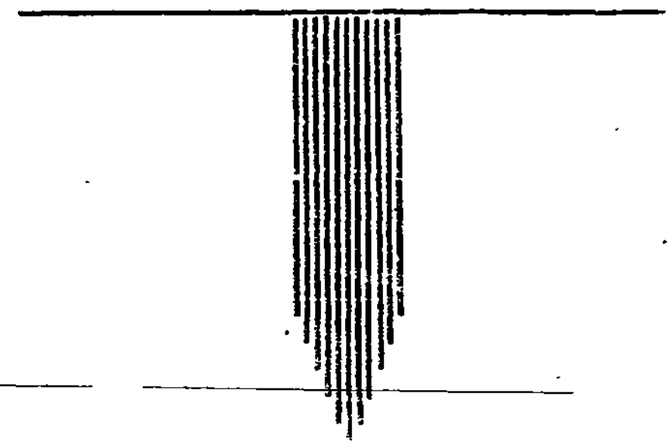

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## SOOTHED THE CRYING CHILD

**Escaping Convict Proved to Mother That She Need Have No Fear in His Presence.**

Tenderly petting a young and crying baby which he had picked up from its crib, escaped convict Peter Tosti succeeded in convincing Mrs Charles Kelley of San Rafael, Cal., after he had gained entrance to her home, that he would not harm her and her two children

Tosti told Mrs Kelley that all he wanted was something to eat and a change of wearing apparel for his prison stripes.

Mrs Kelley was awakened by the cries of her two babies who had been disturbed by the convict As she awoke she saw Tosti pick up the younger one and soothingly begin to rock it He kept this up until the child fell asleep Noticing that Mrs. Kelley was awake, Tosti addressed her, saying:

"Don't be afraid. I am fond of children and I would not harm two like these—or their mother"

After this he kept up a running fire of conversation, and as soon as he had foraged in the kitchen for some victuals he left, apologizing for his intrusion. With Tosti went Mrs. Kelley's husband's overcoat.

Tosti had served only two years of a ten-year sentence for grand larceny committed in Merced county when he escaped from San Quentin.

## HAS TO DRAW ON ENGLAND

**France Feeling the Scarcity of Coal Consequent on the German Control of the Mines.**

France is now compelled to call on England for coal, which was formerly mined in the north of France. Practically all the mines in that district have either been destroyed by the German artillery or are being operated by Germans. At Lievin and Courrieres the German army is carrying on extensive mining operations and producing great quantities of coal, which are being shipped into Belgium for the use of the German military forces.

France is no longer able to draw coal from Mons and Charleroi, which formerly supplied large quantities for exportation. Consequently, the residents of northern France are largely dependent upon English mines for coal, which has become very scarce.

Frequently towns and villages near the fighting lines are entirely without coal for a week. This works great hardship on hospitals, sadly in need of the fuel for hundreds of thousands of wounded and the sick soldiers of the allies who are being cared for in French towns.

### Hospital Barges.

Northern France is rich in waterways, and hospital barges are already running between Paris and the battle-front, under the auspices of the Union des Femmes de France. The hold is enameled white and fitted with 40 beds, and at the end is the nurse's retiring-room. The barge-master's cabin is converted into a living-room for two surgeons. There is an operating-room, too, with washing gear, an electric plant, and a perfect system of heating. To convert a Seine barge into a gondola of this kind costs a bare $500, and the results are beyond praise—especially to fracture cases, to whom the jolting road is agony.

The wounded are hoisted in by means of small cranes, and the barge is then towed by steam or motor yachts lent by wealthy persons, who are more than glad not only to lend their boats free of charge, but to navigate them in person, thus sharing in the work of mercy.

### Dyeing War Horses.

Ever since the war broke out experiments have been made with a view to dyeing the coats of white horses, but simple as it may seem to the uninitiated a satisfactory result has not yet been obtained. Numerous inventors came forward with vaunted dyes, but after the preliminary tests only one liquid seemed to resist the rain satisfactorily. A battery of 24 white horses was consequently treated, and sent out on duty in all weathers. When they returned after a week or ten days all the beasts were of a beautiful bottle green, and are expected to retain that hue for some time to come.

### Automatic Post Office in Paris.

The first of the automatic post offices which are shortly to be installed at different points in Paris is already working in the great waiting room of the Gare St. Lazare. It is very much of the type of the ordinary automatic machine, but distributes, instead of chocolates and matches, stamps of the required denomination, postal cards and letter cards. The machine takes only French money, but conscientiously returns such coins as it does not accept as current. At each side of the machine are ledges on which the client can scribble his correspondence, which he can then place in the letter box.

### Claims Important Discoveries.

A Savannah, Ga., man has claimed to have discovered a chemical which when applied to growing cotton turns it jet black. He also claims to be able to grow roses of a pure velvet black and he believes his discovery will revolutionize the cultivation of plants generally.

### The Idea.

"How is it, my man, that you can afford to give up working now?"

"Sure, sir, I'm going to be married."

## CAMPAIGN AGAINST DOGS TO BE WAGED

**New Law Prohibiting Foreigners to Own Unlicensed Canines to be Printed on Cards in Various Languages and Distributed.**

A state campaign is to be inaugurated within a short time against the unlicensed dogs owned by foreigners, but everyone of the canine owners are notified of the framing of the recent act of the legislature denoting that all dogs maintained by them are to be dispatched by the person in authority to do so. Word has been sent out by the Pensylvania game commission to the effect that within a few days cards bearing the worded act of the asemoly in regard to the foreigner's dog would be sent out and they will be posted throughout the county.

The act will be printed in various languages on cards, and after the cards have been properly posted, the constables must see that the law is complied with. It has been told that some constables in one or two localities have disposed of dogs owned by foreigners, and without necessary license tag, without waiting for the full notice, which under the law, must be posted.

## MOTHERS' PENSION CREDIT FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY IS $4,680

**Auditor Generals' Statement Shows Condition of Treasury for Aiding Widowed Mothers in the State.**

According to the report of the auditor general of the state, each of the sixty-seven counties of the state has from $585 to $35,100 available to its credit for mother's pensions for the two years which will end May 31, 1917. Washington county will have a credit of $4,680. Under the act of assembly creating this fund each county must apoint trustees to administer the fund, the county to appropriate the same sum as the state. Washington county therefore will have available approximately $10,000.

The mother's pension fund, all told contains $244,746.34 of which $100,000 was appropriated by the recent legislature and the balance reappropriated from moneys unexpended from the 1913 appropriation. Of this Auditor General Powell and State Treasurer Young have set aside $234,000 for apportionment among the counties, the balance having been reserved for expenses.

Allegheny and Philadelphia counties will each get 15 per cent of or $35,100. Fifteen per cent of the total is to be divided equally among counties of from 200,000 to 1,000,000 population, which will give $8,775 each to Lackawanna, Luzerne, Schuylkill and Westmoreland. Counties with populations of from 100,000 to 200,000 will get $4,680 each; 50,000 to 100,000, $1,950 each; 25,000 to 50,000, $1,023.75 each and less than 25,000, $585 each.


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## WONDERFUL RECORD IS MADE BY PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD IN ITS TESTS

In the first six months of 1915 the Pennsylvania Railroads made more than 2,000,000 efficiency tests of all kinds and 99.9 per cent of them showed perfect observance of all rules and regulations on the part of 125,158 employes.

Here are some results of this record.

Twenty-eight and one-half per cent less employes were killed in the first six months of 1915 than in the corresponding period of last year. This was not due to a heavy decrease in train mileage as passenger train miles were only 6 per cent and freight train miles 8 per cent less than in 1914. In 1914, 119 employes were killed in the first six months from various causes while in 1915, 85 employes were killed.

No passenger was killed in a train accident in the period covered by these tests—as a matter of fact no passenger has been killed in a train accident on the Pennsylvania Railroad since 1912.

A decrease in accidents is invariably accompanied by a high record of efficiency on the part of all employes as shown in the efficiency tests which are made regularly. These tests cover the work of both officers and the rank and file.

The records for the first six months of this year show that 23,299 tests were made in the use of signals and 99.4 per cent of them showed employes living up to the strict letter of the rules. Over 10,000 tests were made with signals set at stop and in only 13 cases did the trains fail to stop before passing the signal by so much as a foot.

Today Coyle Theatre the last episode of the "Black Box." 45-t1

## MRS. COLLINS IS HOSTESS TO SEWING CLUB FRIDAY AFTERNOON

Mrs. Louis Collins was hostess Friday afternoon to the local sewing club at her home, at 218 Washington avenue. About 16 were present and a pleasant afternoon was spent, with fancy work as the chief diversion. Toward the close of the afternoon Mrs. Collins served lunch. Yellow and white were the prevailing colors in the decorations and in the cakes and ices. The out-of-town guests were Mrs. Rogaliner, of Pittsburg, Mrs. H. Wolk of Irwin, and Miss Clara Beigel, of Pittsburg.

## SUNDAY SERVICES AMONG CHURCHES

**First Presbyterian.**

There will be no services owing to the absence of the pastor. On account of improvements being made in the church, Sabath school will be held at 9:45 o'clock in the Lyric theatre.

**Washington Avenue Presbyterian**

Sunday school at 9:45. Regular morning worship at 11. Union Christian Endeavor at 7 o'clock. Union preaching services at 8. Sermon by Rev. W. G. Carl, pastor of the First Baptist church. Rev. John R. Burson, pastor.

**Baptist.**

Bible school at 9:45. Debate, "Resolved, that David accomplished more for the Kingdom than Solomon," by the Philathea and Baraca classes. Worship and sermon at 11 o'clock. Topic, "Courage and Perseverance Accomplish Wonders." Union evening service at the Washington Avenue Presbyterian church. Topic, "The Temple Beautiful." Rev. W. G. Carl, pastor.

**First Christian.**

Fallowfield avenue rear Sixth street. Bible school at 9:45 a. m. "The Duty Class" will meet at the Majestic theatre. Lord's supper and preaching at 10:30. Subject, "The Way Between." Y. P. S. C E. at 6:30. Subject, "Promoting the Temperance Reform." Leader, Miss Blanche Kibler. Prelude organ recital at 7:15 by Fred Lindaur, organist. Evening worship at 7:30. Subject, "Regard Duty Not Consequence." Wednesday prayer meeting at 7:30. All strangers and those without a church home are cordially invited. Rev. E. N. Duty, pastor.

**Methodist.**

Preaching services in the morning at 10:15, by Rev. Davies of Monessen. Sunday school immediately after. No evening services.

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## *PERSONALS*

Alex Chalfant of Brownsville was an over Friday guest with his sister, Mrs. M. T. Crowly of McKean avenue.

Kerfoot W. Daly, cashier of the Bank of Charleroi, with Mrs.Daly and daughter Mary Violet have returned from Los Angeles, Cal., San Francisco and other points of interest in the western states, having been absent about a month.

C. B. Copeland resumed his duties on the U. S. steamer Slackwater at Lock No.3 today after having been off duty for about three weeks by reason of illness.

Elijah Dainty a clerk at Might's Book store has been spending the last week in Virginia, this being his vacation.

Miss Ida Jenkins has gone to Philadelphia where she will visit.

A number from Charleroi are attending the Scotch picnic at Kennywood park today.

William and Joseph Flood have gone to Cleveland where they will visit with friends.

Mrs. W. R. Gaut and daughter Miss Mabel have gone to Pittsburg where they will visit with friends.

Miss Martha Mitchell of Monessen was a caller in Charleroi Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Dietz left Friday for a short visit with friends at Washington.

Rev. and Mrs. Hugh Leith and son Yoder of Covington, Ky., and Mrs. James Leith and daughter Lillian of Burgettstown are guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Leith of Sixth street and with the last named took an automobile trip today to Burgettstown to visit.

Mrs. Edgar Cocain of Cleveland, Ohio, after visiting her parents here, returned home Saturday.

Mrs. A. R. Mountsier, Mrs. R. C. Mountsier and Miss Mabel Mountsier went to Elizabeth Saturday to visit over Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Albert Walker.

Mrs. H. Wolk of Irwin has been visiting her daughter. Mrs. Jack Teitelbaum of McKean avenue.

Mrs. C. Cribbs of Greensburg is here to visit with her sisters Mrs. W. H. Calvert and Mrs. C. B. Copeland both of Fallowfield avenue.

Mrs. Robert Johnson and Mrs. Ross Bovard of Belle Vernon were Friday guests with relatives here.

John H. Moffitt was a business caller in Pittsburg Saturday.

John Gaut went to Homestead Saturday to spend the day with friends.

Mrs. George DeBrocq of Point Marion will arrive Sunday to visit a week with Mrs. Edward Ostermier of Lincoln avenue.

Miss Marion Haines has left for a two weeks' visit with friends in McKeesport, Versailles and Pittsburg.

Mrs. C. S. Bliss and children of Washington avenue have gone to Beaver Falls to visit at the home of Mrs. Bliss' parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Galey.

Miss Lulu Bailey of Carmichaels is the guest of Miss Margaret McDermott of Fifth street.

C. Warren Kinder, of Charleroi, is today opening up a new floral establishment in Donora.

Fred Lindaur, organist at the First Christian church will give a prelude recital at that church at 7:15 o'clock Sunday evening preceding the evening preaching services.

Walfred Mathias left Saturday for Detroit, Michigan to spend a two weeks' vacation.

Miss May Barth was a visitor in Donora Friday evening.

Raymond Sharpnack was a Pittsburg visitor Saturday.

Mrs. Lloyd Wagner was the hostess to the "500" club at her home Friday afternoon. Out-of-town guests were Mrs. Karl Schempp and Mrs. R. J. Coulson of Donora, Misses Neil and Lois McMahan of Monessen.

## ELDORA PARK TO HAVE SUNDAY ATTRACTION

A Sunday attraction has been arranged for tomorrow at Eldora park. Ben Fields, a singer who is known because of his frequent appearance with Nirella's band of Pittsburg is to sing with Wheeler's orchestra at the park. Fields is popular up the Monongahela valley. He has appeared previous to this Sunday at Eldora and invariably has made a hit. Tomorrow he will feature "When the Lusitania Went Down."

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